

Introduced by Senator Wolk

January 6, 2015

An act to add Section 79901.5 to the Food and Agricultural Code, relating to olive oil.

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SB 65, as introduced, Wolk. Olive oil grades, production, and marketing: Olive Oil Commission of California: producers: exemption.

Existing law establishes the Olive Oil Commission of California and the commission's board of directors. The board of directors, among other things, establishes an assessment to be paid by producers of olive oil and is authorized to recommend to the Secretary of Food and Agriculture the adoption and amendment of olive oil grades and labeling standards, as specified. For purposes of the commission, existing law defines a producer as a person who produces or causes to be produced olives that are processed into olive oil in the amount of 5,000 gallons or more during the marketing season.

Existing law also requires the State Department of Public Health to enforce various provisions of law regarding the manufacture, blending, production, and sale of olive oil.

This bill would exempt a producer under the Olive Oil Commission of California from these manufacturing, blending, production, and sale of olive oil provisions.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 79901.5 is added to the Food and
- 2 Agricultural Code, to read:
- 3 79901.5. A producer, as defined in Section 79821, shall not be
- 4 subject to the provisions of Chapter 9 (commencing with Section
- 5 112875) of Part 6 of Division 104 of the Health and Safety Code.

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